Untitled

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

D. T. E. 99-105 January 19, 2000

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, on its own motion, as to the propriety of the Local Service Provider Freeze terms and conditions set forth in the following tariff: M.D.T.E. No. 10, Part A, Section 5, Original of Page 1.1, filed with the Department on November 1, 1999 by New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Massachusetts.

On November 1, 1999, New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Massachusetts ("Bell Atlantic") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") the terms and conditions of following tariff: M.D.T.E. No. 10, Part A, Section 5, Original of Page 1.1 ("Tariff"). The Tariff enables residential and business customers to activate/remove a Local Service Provider Freeze in order to prevent unauthorized changes to a customer's local service provider. No charges apply to a customer's request to apply or remove a Local Service Provider Freeze.

On November 30, 1999, the Department determined that further investigation into the propriety of the Tariff was necessary and suspended its implementation until June 1, 2000 unless otherwise ordered by the Department. The Department has docketed this matter as D. T. E. 99-105. Copies of Bell Atlantic's Tariff are available for inspection and purchase during business hours at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, MA 02110.

THE DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON THE TARIFF ON:

Untitled

February 8, 2000 at 10:00 AM at: Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station

The public hearing is be to followed immediately by a procedural conference during which the schedule for this proceeding will be established.

Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact:

A. Quincy Vale, Hearing Officer Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02202 (617) 305-3500.

By Order of the Department,

Boston, Massachusetts

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF

Unti	tΙ	ed
------	----	----

TEL		CATIONS	VVID	ENIEDC)
	_ECOMMUNI	CALLONS	AIND	ENERGY

ORDER OF NOTICE

D. T. E. 99-105 January 19, 2000

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, on its own motion, as to the propriety of the Local Service Provider Freeze terms and conditions set forth in the following tariff: M.D.T.E. No. 10, Part A, Section 5, Original of Page 1.1, filed with the Department on November 1, 1999 by New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Massachusetts.

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic - Massachusetts ("Bell Atlantic") shall, at least fourteen (14) days prior to February 8, 2000, give notice of the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE by publication in the Boston Herald. Bell Atlantic shall provide proof of publication to the Department on or before February 8, 2000, certifying compliance with this Order.

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary